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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1876.

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CLEARANCE SALE.

CAYLE & Co. will offer, on

Stock at Greatly Reduced

Prices, consisting of:

Winter Costumes and Polonaises.

Fancy Dress materials of all kinds.

Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats

Ladies' Jackets and Mantillas.

Wool Plaids and Flannels.

Wool Shawls and Cloaks.

Silks and Poplins.

and Bonnets.

Fancy Wool Goods.

Scarves and Sashes.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

AND BUILDINGS.

pound.

30,000 feet.

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

FOR SALE.

THE UNDERMENTIONED LAND

AT HONGKONG:-

and Offices dately occupied by Messrs A.

Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Com-

The Ground below the masonry retaining

MARINE LOT 111, WAXOHAL - First-class

INLAND LOT 591.—Situated on the Bon-

FARM LOT 17, POKFOOLUM, adjoining

Iesars Butterfield & Swire's premises.

AT KOWLOONG:-

feet on the Praya, and with an area.

Reduced Annual Crown rent, \$10.

MARINE Lor 4. - With a frontage of 10

AT YOKOHAMA:-

LOTS No. 6 AND No. 27 in the Foreign

No. 6 is situated on the Bund, and com-

No. 27 is separated from No. 6 by Water

Street and comprises large Tea Firing and

other Godowns, Floss Silk Press, Compra-

dore's Quarters, Stabling and Fire Engine

Applications for purchase, or further in-

Shipping.

J. WHITTALL,

Trustees A. Heard & Co.'s Estate

23, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

despatched for the above

T. G. LINSTEAD.

Ground rent, \$154,97 per annum.

rises an eight-roomed Dwelling House; de

tached, with Garden all round, Offices, Go

downs, Servants' Quarters and Outhouses

Area 1,064 Tanbos of 36 square feet.

Annual Ground rent \$263.79.

House. Ares, 554 Tsubos.

formation, to be made to

Annual Crown rent, \$390.48.

and extensive Godowns.

Annual Crown rent, \$324.

Villa residences in the Colony.

Annual Crown rent, \$25.

Annual Crown rent, \$79.78.

INLAND LOT 82.—The well-known House

Boys' Suits.

Lace and Linen Sets.

PRICE, \$24 PER ARRUM

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON; -F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTOH, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. BAMVEL DEACON & On Co., 150 & 164, Leadenhall Street. NEW YORK !- ANDREW WIND, 183, Nas-

sau Street. USTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :- GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourns and Sydney.

HAN FRANCISCO and American Ports enerally :- Bran & BLACK. San Fran-

CHINA :- Swatow, QUELOR & CAMPERLL. Amoy: GILES & Co. Foothow, HEDER Co. C. Shanghai, LAMB, ORAWHORD & Co., and KELLY & Co. Manila. HEIMBERN & Co. Macao, L. A. GRAGA.

Notices of Firms

NOTICE. Have this day authorized Mr J. Y. SHAW to sign my name per produc

A. MAGG. HEATON. Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. NOTICE.

ROM this date and until further notice, Mr G. DE CHAMPEAUX will act, at this Port, as Agent of the above Company. By Order of the Directors,

C. BERTRAND Hongkong, January 29, 1876.

NOTICE. TR. OTTO GRABE has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from 1st January, 1876.

E. MEYER & Co. Tientsin, January 1870.

NOTICE.

TITE have Established branches of our Birm at Halphong and Hanoi. Ma E. CONSTANTIN is authorised to sign by procuration in Tonquin.

LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

NOTICE. TR. MEYER ELIAS SASSOON has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from the 1st January ultimo. E. D. SASSOON & Co. Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

NOTICE. THE Undersigned have entered into Co partnership from the First day

January, 1876, in the Business of Shipbrokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY. A. G. MORRIS. E. C. RAY.

Bank Buildings,

Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

NOTICE.

TTAVING resigned my situation in the YUEN FAT HONG, I have this day established myself as Merchant and Commission Agent under the style of Sun GHEE

C. SUN GHEE. Hongkong, November 11, 1875,

NOTICE

THE Partnership hitherto existing be-L tween Joseph Thorne and John Andrew Mairland, under the style Thorne Brothers & Co., is this day dissolved by effluxion of time; either partner is authorised to sign the firm in liquidation.

THORNE BROTHERS & Co. Dec. 31, 1875.

TITH reference to the above, the Business of the late Firm of Thorne Brothers & Co. will be conducted in future by the Undersigned, under the style of MAITLAND & Co., and Mr JOHN GRAEME PURDON is authorised to sign the firm. J. A. MAITLAND

Shanghai, Jan. 1, 1876.

DEFERRING to the foregoing advertise-It ment, our Firm at Shaughai is temporarily closed from this date i its butstanding business will be attended to by Mr. JOHN G. PURDON, to whom all communications should be addressed.

Foothow, and Canton, will be carried on rubbish on each lot. as heretofore, the interest and responsibility of Mr. John G. Pundon remaining therein tinchanged. PURDON & Co.

China, Jan. 1, 1876.

In the Letate of SIDNEY DEACON, deceased. A LL Persons having OLAIMS against the same to the Undersigned at d all Persons indebted to the re requested to make immediate

G. M. SMITH Attorney for the Executors. Pebruary 1, 1878.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received in-

structions to sell by Public Auction, SATURDAY.

the 5th day of February, 1876, at his Sales Room, Queen's Road Central, at

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD are leaving the Colony, consisting of Green Rep Covered Couches, Arm Chairs, Bettees, Drawing room Chairs, Marble-top Centre and Side Tables, Tea-Poys, Pier Glasses, Chandeliers, Curtains, etc. etc. Dining Tables and Chairs, Whatnots, Side-boards, Book-cases, Engravings, Ice Chests, Plated, Crockery and Ulkis-ware, etc., etc. Portable Iron Bedsteads and Mattresses, Wooden Bedsteads complete. Wardrobes, Chest of Drawers, Marble-top Washstands and Bervices, Sofas, Marble top, Toilet Tables and Glasses. Ladies and Gentlemen SEDAN CHAIRS, and a Semi-grand PLANO, by Otto Bros.

At 3 p.m. A Dog Cart, Pony and Harness, complete ; a Basket Carriage and Harness, complete; Saddles and Bridles, etc., etc.

See Catalogues. TERMS OF SALE - Cash before delivery n Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. J. M. GUEDES Ju., Auctioneer. Hongkong, Jan. 31, 1876.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc tions from Messrs AH King & Co. to sell by Public Auction without serve, at their Furniture Depot, No. 2, Zetland Street, on

MONDAY, fel8 the 7th day of February, 1876, at o'clock p.m.,-

The whole of their well-selected Stock of English and Colonial made Household Furgiture etc., comprising:

English made Mahogany Drawing Room Suits, Colonial-made Drawing, Dining and Bed Room Suites, in Green

glass, English made Mahogany Telescope Dining Table, English and Colonial made Teak and Rosewood Sideboards, Wagons and Side Tubles, Marble Sideboard with Glass, Double-wing Wardrobes, English made Mahogany Wardrobes, English Walnut Centre Tables, Colonial made Marble top Centre Tables, Teakwood Marble top Washstands and Toilet Tables, Toilet Glasses, Glass Book Case, English made Card Tables, Iron and Wooden Bedsteads, Pier Glasses, 2, 3 and 4-burner Gazaliers, Gas Brackets, Clocks, Carpets, Engravings, Oil Paint ings, Office Desks, Copying Press, Dinner and Dessert Sets, Glassware, Plated

One Piano, by Stodart, New York. One Piano, by Cellard & Cellard.

A Cottage Piano. Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Jan. 81, 1876.



LANE, CRAWFORD IVI Co. have been instructed to sel by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY. the 9th February, 1876, at 2 o'clock p.m.,

at Stanley Barracks,— In Lors. The Materials of the Buildings situated on the Military Cantonment, as they now stand, with the exception of the foundations and retaining walls.

The purchasers will be required to Our Firm and business at Hongkong, clear and remove from the ground the The lots may now be viewed, and full

particulars obtained, on application at the Control Reserve Stores, Queen's Road, by the SECRET SOUND COMMUNICATOR, [fold | East, between the hours of 10 am, and] TERMS OF SALE -- Cash before delivery

in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

C. R. SHERVINTON. Lisut. Colonel, Assistant Controller.

Control Office. Hongkong, Jan. 11, 1876.

N. B.—For the convenience of intending purchasers, a Stear Launch will leave Peddar's Wharf on the morning of the Sale, at 10 o'clock, for by sending their addresses.

Intimations.

CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

FURNITURE of Major Bradshaw and p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Dr McFall, of H. M. 80th Regt., who Report of the Court of Directors, together December, 1875. By Order of the Board of Directors.

JAMES GREIG, Chief Manager Hongkong, February 8, 1076.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAL BANKIN

COTICE is heroby given, that the RE GISTER of SHARES of the Conro. BATION will be OLOSED from the 7th to the 17th current, (both days included,) during which period no transfer of Shares

By Order of the Board of Directors, JAMES GRAIG. Chief Manager. Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

will be held at the Office of the Company No. 7, Queen's Road, on THURSDAY, the the afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to Sist DECEMBER 1875, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, January 17, 1876.

COMPANY, LIMITED.

English made Walnut Cheffonier, with THE Transfer BOOKS of the Com-

General Managers. HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE/COMPANY LIMITED. Hongkong, January 17, 1876.

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

HE Seventh Ordinary MEETING o noon of FRIDAY, the 18th February Next for the Year ending 31st December, 1875. February, both days inclusive.

By Order,

STEAMBOAT COMPANY.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Dividend, at the rate of 4% or \$8 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held This Day, will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after THURSDAY, the 27th Instant Shareholders are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for Warrants. By Order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA UUSTA,

Hongkong, January 24, 1876.

NOTIOE.

TOROFESSOR A. MOREL has arrived, and has taken private rooms at the Uriental Hotel where he can be daily consulted from 10 A.M. till 4 P.M., for the following Ailments |---

DEAFNERS. Apy one suffering from the above can be made to hear Instantanzously patented by the Professor. The WIAK SIGHTED MADE TO BEE by

Lunetten. CHIROPODIST -Corns, hard and soft Bunions. Warm on the hands, Moles on the Face, Freckles, Ingrowing Nails will be cured without hurting or drawing of Blood in the space of a few seconds by a new

"You'll run when you but walked before, Again a dripple be no more M.B. Ladies wishing to be attended at their private residences can be waited upon Hongkong, February 1, 18/8.

Entertainments.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the Share holders in the Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on THURS. DAY, the 17th current, at Two o'clock

CORPORATION.

can be tegistered.

COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company 17th FEBRUARY next, at three o'clock in

General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Company,

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

NOTICE.

pany will be OLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th February Next, both days in-

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 3 o'clock in the after for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the Report of the Directors The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 18th

JAS, B. COUGHTRIE, Hongkong, January 28, 1876.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO LIMITED.

HONGKONG.

means of a powerful double convex microscope, made in the thape of Lorion and

LOCAL BILLA DISCOUNTED. Gredits granted on approved Sectification, and every description of Banking and Exchange business stansacted. French proceds. In fact,

> Offices of the Corporation, No. 1. Queen's Road Bast. Hongkong, January 27, 1974.

ROYAL, TO THE PARTY OF TH

Under THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE OF HIS EXCHILENCY BIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, E.O.M.G., C.R.

THE French OPERA COMIQUE TROUPE, Mately of Paris, London, Sr. Peressus New York and Saigon, Will have the konor of giving their First Performance

MONDAY NEXT February 7th, 1876.

de Madame Angot. Opera Comique in Three Acts, by CHARLES LEGOCO.

ACCOMPANIMENT BY MR. L'AUNAY-CEPHAS, DIRECTOR. For Particulars, Bee Programmes,

Doors open at 8 o'clock; Performance

o commence at 9.

PRIORS OF ADMISSION

Children's Dresses. Tickets may be had and seats secured at Mesars. KRUSE & Co., also at the door of the Theatre, on the night of Performance. Hongkong, February 2, 1876.

Banks.

COMPTOIR DESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

INCORPORATED NY MATIOTAL DEGREES OF 7TH AND STH MARCH, 1848, -and-

BY IMPERIAL DECREES OF 25TH JULY, 1854, AND SIST DECEMBER, 1866, Recognized by the

30TH APRIL, 1882. PAID-UP CAPITAL, 80,000,000

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF

HEAD OFFICE. 14, Rue Bergere, Paris. LONDON AGENCY. -144, Leadenhall

-At Nantes, Lyons, Maz sellles, Brussels, Bombay, Calcutta, St Denis (lle de la Réunion) Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama, LORDON BARKERS. - Bank of England, Union Bank of London.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

INTEREST ALLOWED N Current Deposit Account at the rate J of 2 per pent, per annum on the monthly minimum balances, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained t the offices.

OHR DE GUIGNE, Manager. Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road,

Hongkong, May 14, 1875. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK. ING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND,..... 100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-AD, ARDER, Esq. Deputy Chairman-E. R. Belilios, Esq. S. W. POMEBOY, Esq. . F. Cordes, Esq. E. D. Sassoon, Esq. H. Hoppius, Esq.

A. MCIVER, Kaq. CHIEF MANAGER. James Graid, Esq.

Manager. EWEN CAMBRON. Esc. LONDON BANKERS. - London and County

INTEREST ALLOWED AN Current Deposit Accounts at the cate of 1 per cent. per annum on the dally

On Fixed Deposits !-For 3 months, 2 per cent. per aunum. 4 per cent. . 11 6 per cent. ,, ,,

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, Itidia, Australia, America, China and Japan. JAMES GREIG. Villed Manager.

Steamers. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW The Steamship " DOUGLAS."

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

Ports on SUNDAY, the 6th Instant, at DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, February 2, 1876, FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The Steamship

Captain Bunnin, will be

"NORDEN" Captain Jansen, will leave for the above Ports on MON DAY, the 7th Instant, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

FOR SINGAPORE The British Steamer Captain Commade, will be despatched on the 7th inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, Febtiage 2, 1876.

Hongkong, February 9, 1876.

FOR SHANGHAL The British Steamship
ONOCOS
Jost, Master, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, Fanuary \$1, 1876.

WE PUSTAU & CO.

For Sale.

Shipping.

Steamers. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL

The Company's Steamship and after TUESDAY Next, will be despatched on or the 18th Instant, the reabout the 8th February. mainder of their Winter

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE Hongkong, January 24, 1876.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY FOR SHANGHAL Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for

HANKOW, NINGPO & PORTS IN

JAPAN. The Company's Steamship will be despatched on or about

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

FOR MANILA. The Steamship "ESMERALDA," Captain THEBAUD, will have immediate despatch for the

For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON,

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK The A-1 American Ship. WILKINSON, Master, will load here and at Whampoa, and will

For Freight, apply to VOGEL HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1876. FOR PORTLAND (OREGON.)

the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, February 1, 1876. FOR-SAN FRANCISCO. The A-1 American Ship "LATHLEY RICH,"

will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A-1 British Clipper-ship THOS. ROBERTS, Master, will

For Freight, apply to Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

The A 1 American Bark " CRUSADER. FRED. GORHAM, Master, will load here and at Whampon, and will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to

For Freight, apply to

as above.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Bark "CRAIGIE LEA." of 605 Tone Register, Captain T. LANDY, will load here and at Whampon, and will have quick despatch

VOGEL HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 10, 1876. FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. Calling at Adelaide if sufficient inducement

The A 1 British Bark "NOVELTY." Linner, Master, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick dispatch. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, January 7, 1876. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Bark "ARDENTINNY." BROWN Master, will load here and at Whampon, and will

RUSANLL & Co.

have quick dispatch as above. For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 27, 1875.

FOR SALE, FREIGHT OR CHARTEN. The British Ship TH. MILES, Master, of 1,478

Tona Register Apply to WIELER & CV

Hongkong, January 6, 1870

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

Hongkong, February 8, 1876.

have quick despatch as above.

The A-1 American Ship "SAMUEL G. REED," WHITE, Master, will load for

ham Road and one of the finest sites for VOGEL HAGEDORN & Co.

> THOS. MITHEL, Master, will load for the above Port, and

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

load for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch. VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

FOR NEW YORK

Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Hongkong, January 21, 1876.

Intimations.

NOTICE. ESIGNS for the Construction of a CATHEDRAL CHURCH in SAIGON are Invited by the Government of Saigon. The cost of erection is estimated at 800,000 fcs. Plans and Designs will be exhibited on the 1st of July, 1876, and a premium awarded to the two designs adjudged to be the best by the jury.

The conditions of the competition may be seen at the China Mail and Daily Press offices; also at the French Consulate. Hongkong, January 31, 1876.

NOTIFICATION. COPY of the Jury List for 1878 is posted at the Supreme Court House for inspection. Notice of any inaccuracies, omissions, objections, &c., must be given to the Registrar on or before MONDAY, the 14th day of February A.D., 1876, in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Ordinance No. 11 of 1864.

It is further notified that no person whose name is on the list as a Juror will be excused from service on the ground of any exemption to which he may be entitled, or on the ground of any want of qualification, unless such exemption shall have been claimed and established, or such want of qualification duly proved, at or before the time above specified.

F. S. HUFFAM, Deputy Registrar. Hongkong, January 81, 1876.

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE.

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO, EX O. S. S. CO. . S. S. MENELAUS, FROM LIVERPOOL.

MHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the Inst., for shipment per S. S. Stentor. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

BRITISH STEAMSHIP "CROCUS," Joy, Master, FROM LONDON VIA SINGAPORE,

MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Undersigned, from whence delivery may be ob-

Consignees wishing to take their Goods from the boats alongside the Wharf, are at iberty to do so. Goods remaining in store after the 11th February will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given until 12 c'clock on the 1st February. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

WM. PUSTAU & Co., Honkgong, January 31, 1876.

ONSIGNEES of Cargo per German Barque IRIS, WENDY, Master from Hamburg, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by WM. PUSTAU & Co., Hongkong, January 3, 1876.

BRITISH BARK COLDSTREAM, FROM LONDON.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take · immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the

Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.,

Hongkong, January 13, 1876. BRITISH SHIP GRYFE, FROM LONDON.

YONSIGNERS of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel, will be landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense. VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.,

Hongkong, December 30, 1875.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

MOTION TO CONSIGNEES. MUNSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery.

This Cargo has been landed and stored at

their risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected. C. BERTRAND. Principal Agent. Ex Donnai, July 2, 1874. 85 cases Beer. Ex Iraquaddy, November 22, 1875.

1 case Merchandise. AB No. 0 Excapadyr, January 16, 1876. 100 bales Cotton Hongkong, January 21, 1876.

FOR SALE, MANTIEN'S PATENT. COMPOSITION PAINT. For Ships' Bottoms, Sole Agents for China. F. BLACKHEAD & Co. Hongkong, January 5, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

S. S. ARGYLL, FROM CALCUITA, PENANG AND BINGAPORE.

"ONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that Helr Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned and stored at their Godowns, whence and from the Wharf and or Boats delivery may be obtained:

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 11th Instant will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigued by JAUDINE, MATILEAON & Co. Hongkong, Pabruary 4, 1878, .. tell

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship "DJEMNAH," Captain BLAMBBAU, will be despatched for SHANGHA on SUNDAY, the 6th Instant, at 4 p.m. G. DE CHAMPEAUX.

Acting Agent. Hongkong, February 4, 1876.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Steamship "GUNGA," GARCEAU, Master, will leave on MONDAY Next, the 7th

Instant, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, February 4, 1876

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The British Steamship "HINDOSTAN,"

T. S. GARDNER, Commander. will leave this for the above Ports on SATURDAY Next, the 12th Inst. at 8 p.m. Despatches will close at 2.30 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, February 4, 1876. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Steamship

"ARGYLL." Captain DAVID SCOTT, Will leave for the above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 12th Instant, at 3 p.m. Despatches will close at 2.80 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, February 4, 1876. STEAM TO YOKOHAMA. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. 'SUNDA will leave for the above place shortly after the arrival of

the Lombardy with the next English Mail. A. McIVER. Superintendent.

Hongkong, February 4, 1876. STEAM TO SHANGHAI. (Taking Cargo at through rates for NAGASAKI & HIOGO.): The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S.

"LOMBARDY" will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next English Mail. . -

A. McIVER. Superintendent. Hongkong, February 4, 1876.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA. The P. & O. S. N. Co. a S. S. "ORISSA" will leave for the above place

with quick dispatch. Hongkong, February 4, 1876

TIENDERS to REPAIR the German Bark Christins, WILDFANG, Master, signed until TO-MORROW, the 5th Inst.

at 4 p.m. For particulars, apply to . Captain on Board,

SIEMSSEN & Co., Hongkong, February 4, 1876.

BRITISH BARK MARINA, FROM LONDON. CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above

named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the

vessel, will be landed and stored at Consigness' risk and expense. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,

Hongkong, February 4, 1876.



Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Sues, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton and London;

Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STRAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship GWALTOR, Captain J. C. BASOT, with Her Majesty's Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this for the above places. on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at

OARGO will be received on board until N. on ; SPECIE and PARCELS at the Office until 2 P.M. on the 16th Idem. For particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong,

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To-day's Advertisements.

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AVE CARSON'S MINSTRELS

HONGKONG.

To-morrow Evening, FERRUARY 5th, 1876.

DAVE CARSON Will appear in a Local Vocal Sketch, entitled "THE HONGK NG POLICE COURT," In which he will impersonate AN IRISHMAN, A SCOTCHMAN, A FRENCH-MAN, A CHINAMAN, AN UNPROTECTED FEMALE, & MILD HINDOO.

HENNESSEY FASHAW, CUTLER, PALMER

and as THE ACTOR OF ALL WORK, In which he will give his Imitations of POPULAR LONDON ACTORS Likewise Illustrating Shakespeare IN THE ENGLISH, GEBMAN, AND YANKEE DIALECTS.

POSITIVELY THE LAST TIME ZHT, TO WONDERFUL BOX AND CABINET ILLUSIONS The Secret of which will be exposed and explained to the Audience at the TERMINATION OF THE ENTERTAINMENT

THE BEST BILL OF THE SERIES

PROGRAMME KHO DEKHO. PART FIRST. Mrs. Carson will preside at the Pianoforte.

Introductory Overture | Dave Carson's (Original) Minstrels. Opening Chorus (Oper-) Dave Carson's Minstrels. Oh, would I were a Fly.... DAVE CARSON. Protty Little Dark Eyes. .. Mr J. C. TALBOY Bless Me Mother 'ere We MrG.H. HENRI.

The Country Captain DAVE CARSON. The Sweep's Refrain (with) Mr J. C. TALBOT Tyrolean and Automaton Imitations)..... LEAF BY LEAF, THE ROSES FALL The Calcutta Palkes Wal- | DAVE CARSON

lahs (By Request)..... Part First will conclude with the Petit Burlesque, entitled WHO'S AFRAID? Introducing

CARSON'S INTERVAL OF TER MINUTES.

PART SECOND. American Ballad The Mrs D. CARSON. Birds will come again "THE HONGKONG POLICE COURT, DAVE CABBON.

MUSICAL ILLUSTRATIONS OF AN ENGLISH FARMYARD, M. C. H. Huttak A Grand Burlesque Operatic Scena LA "CONSERVATOIRE DU

KOWLOON," ~ Mr J. C. TALBOT. Part Second will conclude with the Original Sketch, entitled "THE ACTOR OF ALL WORK,"

BY DAVE CARSON. AN INTERVAL OF FIVE MINUTES,

fe5 The Evening's Entertainment will terminate with a Comic Sketch, entitled THE TROUBLESOME SERVANT. Mr Frizzle......Mr G. H. HENRI.Mr Madison Orbey. Ephraim-the Trouble | DAVE CARSON. some Servant..... INTRODUCING THE WONDERFUL

BOX AND CABINET ILLUSIONS. The Secret of which BE EXPOSED AND ILL EXPLAINED.

PRICES OF ADMISSION : Dress Circle 2000 Orchestra Stalls..... Children under twelve years of age half price to Dress Circle

Children in Arms...... 25.00. Tickets may be had, and Seats secured at Mesers LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s ; and of the Doors of the Theatre on the Evening at Performance.

Doors open at 8 o'clock; Trouble begins at 9; Agony Over, at 11.15.

Dave Carson's United Ministrel and Burlesque Album, containing the Bengales Baboo and 24 other Popular Songs and Choruses, with Planoforte Accompaniments, can be obtained at the Doors and of Mesars LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.-Price \$1. Hongkong, February 4, 1876.

FROM CALOUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

TIBE S. S. Hindostan, Captain T. S. GARDNER, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at their risk and DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Houghong, February 4, 1878

ARRIVALA. Feb. 4, Hindustan, British steamer, 891. Gardner, Calcutta Jan. 19, Penang 20, and Singapore 28, 1,888 chests Opium, 8,589 balas Cotton, and Sundries -D. Sassoon, Bons & Co.

Feb. 4, Aryyll, British Steamet. 1271. Stott, Calcutta Jan. 19, Penang 25, Singapore 28, General, - Ja Dine, Matheson & Feb. 4. Bowert, British Steatner, 844.

Thos. Park, Sydney Dec. 81, via Queensland borts and Singapore Jan. 28, General. -Gibb. Lavingston & Co. Feb. 4, Auguste, German barque, 290, S. A. Buck. Cardiff Sept. 18, Coal. ORDER. Feb 4. Marina, British barque, 668, Jean, London Sept. 4, General. - ARRECLD,

ARRIVALS. Feb. 4. Ascold, Russian porvette, 2000, Tirtoff, Nagasaki. Feb. 4. Asie Mineure, French barque 381, Gaurier, Bangkok Nov. 24, Rice.

LANDSTRIN & Co. Feb. 4. Cap Horn. Germen barque, 401; Bangkok Dec. 22, Rice. - WM. PUSTAU & Co. Feb. 4, Arratoon Apear, British steamer,

959, R. Cass, Bangkok Jan. 26, General. BIEMABER & Co. Feb. 4, James Vinicombe, British ship, 638, Peter McPherson, Pano, Gulf of Gorontalo Dec. 24, Rattana and Ebony

Wood - EBELL & Co. DEPARTURES. Feb. 8, Hombay, for Yokohama. Lochiel, for Whampoa Golconda, for Shanghai.

4, Fuyew, for Shanghai. 4, Amoy, for Niugpo and Shanghai. CLEARED. Hochung, for Amoy. Feiwan, for Macao.

Norna, for Swatow.

Danube, for Bangkok. PASSENGERS. ARRIVED. -- Per Hindoston, Mrs T. Gardner, Major Pontifax, Surgeon Major Turton, M.D., Surgeon Barry, M.D., Mr Liveroy, and 63 Chinese. Per Argyll, Mr Birt, 3 Europeans, and

10 Chinese. Per Bowen, 212 Chinese. Per Arratoon Apcar, 5 Chinese. DEPARTED. -- Per Golconda, for Shanghai Mr aud Mrs de Pratt (Spanish Minister and wife), Mrs Little and infant, Mr and Mrs Henderson, Mr and Mrs Warren Messrs J. C. Coutts, A. Voissin, Godeaux, Garrett, Harrison, E. C. Taintor, W. Wheeler, W. Meyerink, G. W. Noel, Parker, and one European.

Per Bombay, 2 Chinese. Per Eugew, 48 Chinese. To DEPART.—Per Danube, 20 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Hindostan reports: after leaving Singapore experienced strong N.E. monsoon with heavy sea up to Pulo must be imposed. The Chinese felt al- that it was to last him for the commis-Sapata, thence to arrival moderate N.E. monsoon and fine weather. Detained four hours outside on account of fog.

The British steamer Argyll reports; first part of passage had fine weather, latter part strong N.E. winds and fine weather. The British steamer Bowen reports; he

dates are as follows:-Left Sydney Dec. 31 Brisbane Jan. 6. Rockhampton 7. Bowen Townsville 9. Cooktown 10, Somerset 12 arriving at Singapore 22, and left again 28 arrived here Feb. 4, 7 a.m. From Austra lia to Singapore experienced strong head winds with much rain, thence to por strong monsoon.

The German barque Auguste reports first part of passage had strong winds principally from the S.W., had strong N.E. and S. trade and winds, rounding the Cape strong Westerly winds, came through the Eastern Passage and had light Easterly winds After entering China Sea had strong N.E. monsoon with heavy squalls. Passed English barque bound North in the Eastern

Passage, in ballast, The British barque Marina reports: left the Lizard Point on the 11th, had fine weather until 18th, then & succession of and S.W. gales until 24th, had moderate N.E. trade winds and fine weather to the Equator, which was crossed on 16th Oct. thence to Island of Tripidad, which was sighted on 24th; had moderate winds fine weather, Trinidad to Cape had variable winds and fine weather, rounded the Cape on Nov. 14th and running down eastings had strong N.E. and Northerly gales with very heavy sea. Came through the Eastern-Passage, and on Dec. 23rd sighted Saudalwood Island, thence had light variable winds and calms until arriving in latitude 5 North, thence to 18 N. had light E. E.S.E. winds, when it freshened up to strong gales from the N.E. with very confused sea, sighted the Bashees at midnight on Feb. 1st from whence to port had strong

E. N. E. winds with thick dirty weather. The British steamer Arratoon Appear reports: left Bangkok on the night of Jan. experienced strong monsoon heavy head sea to Paracels, from thence to port fine weather with moderate breeze

Per Gaelie, sailed Feb. 3, for Yokohama, 877 bags Sugar, 506 bags Beans, 814 pkgs. Lead, 96 pkgs. Merchandise. For Francisco, 20,157 bags Rice, 650 Empty Quicksilver Flasks, 3 cases Silks, 65 boxes Opium, 40 pkgs. Tea, 1,000 bags Sugar, 8 packages Patna Opium, 20 cases Cigars, 20 cases Nutmegs, 200 pkgs. Sago, pkgs. Merchandise. For New York, bales Silks, 46 half-chests Tea, 551 pkgs. Merchandise.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS WILL CLOSH:-

For SWATOW .-Per NORNA, at 7.80 a.m. on Saturday, the 5th Instant. For BANGKOK.

Per DANUBE, at 10.30 a.m. on Saturday, the 5th Instant, instead of as previously notified. For AMOY & SHANGHAL

Per HOCHUNG, at 8.80 p.m. To-mor row, the 5th Inst. For SWATOW, AMOY & FOODHOW Per DOUGLAS, at 5 p.m. Saturday, the 5th Inst.

Per DJEMNAH, at 9 a.m. on Stinday, the 6th Inst. For BWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW Per YUNGOHING, at 9 a.m. on Sun-

day, the 6th Instant, For SINGAPORE AND PENANG. Per NORDEN, at 2.80 p.m. on Monday, the 7th Inst. For MANILA.

Per GUNGA, at 8.80 p.m. on Monday, the 7th Instant. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet ANADYR. the 10th February, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom vice Marseilles ; to Europe, Salgon, Singapore, Galle, Madras, Calcutta Bombay, Aden, Suer, and Alex-

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet CITY OF PEKING will be despatched on TUES-DAY, the 15th Inst., at 8 F.M. with the MAILN BY THE ESGLISH PACKEL -

The English Contract Packet GWALIOR. will be despaiched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Auctions.

2 p.m. -- Sale of Household Furniture, at Mr J. M. Guedes' Auction Room.

Amusements. 9 p.m.-Dave Carson's Performance at City Hall.

Tenders Close. Tenders to Repair the German Bark Christine, will be received at the office of the Agents up to 4 p.m.

Miscellaneous. Transfer Books of The China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, closed from this date to 18th February, inclusive,

sent, when practicable, by 4 p.m., to allow the early issue of the paper. The publication of this issue commenced

TO ADVERTISERS.

It is requested that all advertisements be

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEB. 4, 1876.

at 6,50 p.m.

mistake into which he has fallen.

WE believe that we have drawn attention to two matters, regarding which reform is urgently needed, on some thirty or forty occasions. We now venture on our forty-first notice, and, strong in our thin sheet lead over them is also noted. faith that truth (or pertinguity) will in the end prevail; do not calculate on having to again write in a similar strain more than some dozen times. The matters we refer to are public chair-coolies and boats. Something like a uniform or at least ordinary cleanliness, for the one, and the abolition of the small-pox family-hospital system, with an improved medel, for the other, is demanded by public convenience and common sense Why Hongkong should be behind the be purchasers to Shanghai. Could not a rest of the world in this matter it is difficult (for those unacquainted with the supereminent tenderness which here prevails in official circles towards the coolie) to explain. Again we ask, Why should the chair-riding or boat-using public be exposed to such nuisances Echo answers "nuisances;" but the word finds no echo in the departments whence reform must come. Really it is time something were done. But we suppose that until some official is inconvenienced, matters will remain in statu

THE skating-rink movement is, we observe, spreading in England. According to the papers received by yesterday mail, an association under the name of "The London and Provincial Skating Rink Company" has been formed, with a capital of £100,000, in 10,000 shares of £10 each "to be employed in acquiring eligible sites in London and other large centres of population in the United Kingdom and abroad, and constructing thereon skating-rinks of a superior description, so as to unite healthy exeruse . with every element of comfort and elegance," If, as we are assured, there exists in Hongkong a very general opinion that a roller-skating-rink would be a desirable addition to our very limited difficulty is to get any one to take the lead in such a matter, and the only people who could successfully do so. would be the Committee of the Recreation Club. As everybody knows a curious characteristic of Hongkong society is its complete indifference to anything will be despatched on THURSDAY, like a public question. In most places such a proposition as that we made would have called forth comment either for or against it. In Hougkong the only way to learn public opinion is verbally or in writing to ask each individual and though we cannot pretend to have done this, we have heard a sufficient number signify a languid assent to assume that the scheme would meet with fair support.

> THE Customs Medical Reports for the quarter ended Sept. 80, 1875, contain inse popular but more professional details

than their predecessors; and if affording less scope for lay comment or quotation will not be the less valuable and welcome to the profession. The places reported from are but five Amoy, Shanghai, Peking, Pagoda Anchorage and Hankow-but they cover a wide range of territory and climate, and the papers are nnusually well written contributions to the study of hygiene in China. The only portions to which we need draw attention are the remarks made on the precautions which foreigners should take to avoid contracting sicknesses common to the Chinese scaboard. Dr. Somerville of Foochow devotes a few pages to the health of merchant seamen, which should be reprinted and placed in the hands of every shipowner and master residing in or visiting China. He observes that the tea steamers trading here usually have fine well-ventilated forecastles, but that they are as a rule dirty. And though, as he says, people cannot be made clean by act of Parliament, it is allowable to ask why something resembling man-of-

war cleanliness cannot be enforced on

board them. It is of no use to provide

good accommodation if personal uncleaniness be permitted, and there can be no . . . doubt that greater stringency in this regard would increase the self-respect and contentment of crews. We should say WHILE we recognize the services which that masters and mates are alone re-Mr G. Sharp, as honorary Secretary of sponsible for the absence of proper rules. the Anti-blockade meeting, has rendered As to not being able to enforce them. to the Colony, we cannot but regret to that is all nonsense. Another point find him holding such peculiar views on upon which Dr. Somerville lays great the subject of the Stamp Act memorial, stress is the absence of proper supplies of He remarked in the course of his yester- drugs. But what can be expected if day's speech that, "He had some know- proper medical men are not provided ledge of the Ohinese, and from his ex- also. There is a (probably mythical) perience of them, he knew they were story of a gunboat commander, who, very well satisfied with the tax, which, shortly after leaving home, apportioned if reduced, would produce a deficiency in out his medicines according to the the revenue, and to make up for this number of his crew, and served out the deficiency, a new tax in another form allowance to each individual, telling him ready the great pressure of taxes on them sion. As many of the drugs would now, and if they had to meet any new not bear such infinitesimal division he tax, the pressure would be unbearable." squared matters by giving extra quinine Mr Sharp was on this occasion speaking to one and extra jalap to another, rewithout his wonted caution. Nobody marking that they must "swap as nehas ever proposed to "reduce" the stamp cessary." Now such a proceeding would revenue, so that "a new tax in another in many cases be quite as useful as the form must be imposed." On the contrary system adopted on board ships we know the Reporting Committee have simply of; and we hope that Dr. Somerville's sought to re-adjust the scale so as to remarks will be extensively read. Could leave the revenue untouched. And the not the Harbour Master's department point to be settled is whether their pro- here do something towards their circulapositions will effect that desirable end. tion? It is noteworthy that the writer If they will not, they must be abandoned, expresses a very decided opinion that No member of the Chamber ignores the the cause of the diarrhosic diseases which fact that the Stamp revenue is a vital prevail at the Coast ports is not the necessity, and must be maintained at its water. Bad water may, he admits agpresent figure, however much alterations gravate other conditions, but the resi may be made in detail. We trust that cause is he maintains cold caught in the on a perusal of the Report (published in abdomen and chest during exposure to another column) Mr Sharp will see the night breezes when, as sailors generally do, they sleep in the open air. Upon the whole such diseases however have become less frequent owing, as Dr. Somerville thinks, to the shorter stay made by vessels at their ports of call. A curious way of treating ulcers by binding

We have touched only on one paper as giving useful hints to the general reader, but many of the others are well worth perusal by residents, and we wish that greater facilities were placed in the way of the general public to obtain copies of these Reports, and the other valuable papers issued from the Customs press. We are constantly asked where these publications can be obtained, and are as often obliged to refer would-Hongkong agency be established for their sale? We would also suggest that an index both to the Medical and Annual Commercial reports would be a boon to readers. The future cyclopædia of matters Chinese will be in no small degree indebted to these valuable papers for some of its most useful information.

THE SPIRIT OF THE MORNING

THE Press comments on the language held by the Diario de Manila in its remarks on the systems of Spanish and British Colonial Government. It admits that the Diario is right in saying that the regime established at Singapore, Hongkong &c. is is not applicable to the Philippines. But the great point of difference in the two systems of Government is, that while Spain seeks to derive all possible present advantage from her foreign possessions, Great Britain endeavours to ameliorate the condition of the people and improve the country to the utmost possible extent. Admitting that our Indian administration is not perfect, it nevertheless gives the natives advantages which it is to be feared are complicuous by their absence in the Philippines. stock of places of amusement, this con. The loss of Spain's numerous and valuable firmation of our recent remarks will not, possessions in America can be ascribed to we hope, be without some effect. The nothing but misrule. It is true the power and prestige of Spain have fallen very low, but they are capable of resuscitation; for there are few countries in Europe whose internal resources are so elastic and undaveloped as hers. The Carlists and Cuba disposed of the Spanish rulers would have a good chance of turning over a new leaf.

THE HONGKONG NATIVE PRESS. The Chines Mail, while recording the recent news concerning Japan and Cores. cays peace between these two countries is, under the reported o reur, hances, difficult

to be maintained. The Chung Ngot San a noticing the opening of the port of hat Chon, says a variety of articles of tre s a good con. raw back is sumption there, and the speakers of W Canton

war between Japan and Corea is imminent. It comments against Chinamen becoming Japanese subjects in Yesso.

REVISION OF THE STAMP TAX. REPORT OF THE SUB COMM. TTER. At the last annual meeting of the Chamber the following resolution was passed :---"That the Chamber do memorialize the Government praying for the revision of the Stamp Act of this Colony."

This resolution came up for discussion at a meeting of the Committee held on the 14th of last May, when the whole question was referred to a sub-commi lee composed of Mesers Greig, Nelson and Dalrymple, who since that date have had the subject under their careful consideration, having been in correspondence with the Government as to the various changes proposed. and they now beg to report the result of their various deliberations.

After a close perusal of the present Ordinance and Schedule attached thereto. the Committee concluded that the items calling for revision were as follows:-

No. 2, Stamp duty on Bank Notes 2/3ds per cent per annum per. \$100 of the average circulation. No. 3, Bills of Exchange. Power of Attorney.

No. 9, Note of Protest. No. 11. Receipt Stamps. No. 13. Conveyance. No. 14, Mortgage. No. 18, Lease.

No. 20, Lease. No. 22, Marine Policy. No. 25, Partnership Deed. No. 26, Cognovit, &c.

The alterations proposed in the above were as follows :-- lat, That in place of the present duty on the Bank Note Circulation of the four Banks of issue in the Colony. the duty should be | for non-issuing Banks a yearly payment of \$1,000 ;-- for issuing Banks a graduated scale of monthly payment of from \$100 to \$500 per month. according to their average circulation, the former representing an average circulation of \$250,000, and the latter of over

\$1,000,0007 With respect to Bills of Exchange the following new sliding scale was proposed: Demand drafts, any amount ... 10 cts. each. Bills at sight &c. up to \$ 300 in sets 20 cts.

Power of Attorney ... \$5.00 instead of \$2.00

Note of Protest 1.00 Receipt Stamps 0.02 for all amounts over \$5.00 Conveyance-The following new scale for value up to \$. 800

and \$1.00 additional for every \$1,000, or portion of \$1,000. This also affects Nos. 18 and 20.

Cognovit, 5.00. After having decided upon the above proposed alterations, the Committee thought it would be well to obtain the views of the Government upon the subject, and accordingly a copy of the above list was forwarded. A private correspondence of very considerable length ensued, the result of which the Committee may state to be

1st. That the Government is unwilling to act upon any suggestions with respect to a revision of the present schedule which good batting. would result in any decrease of the total amount of revenue raised by the Stamp

2nd. The Collector of Stamp Revenue has made an estimate of the changes that would result to the revenue if the proposed alterations were carried out, and from this it appears that there would be a total decrease of \$21,300, and a total increase of \$7,500, or say a net annual loss to the reve nue of \$13,800.

3rd. The tax raised from Bills of Exchange forms 40 per cent., and that from Bank note circulation 20 per cent. of the entire annual Stamp Revenue; the question consequently narrows itself down to the alterations proposed in these two items. or placing the estimated increase of \$7,500 against the \$ 6,400 to be raised from the new scheme in respect to Bank note circulation, and the whole question is narrowed down to that of Bills of Exchange

In determining how far the new sliding scale for this tax proposed by the Committee is possible it will be necessary however to find any estimate of the prob able revenue to be derived, upon reliable statistics, but as all impressed stamps are sold in what may be termed in blank, there is at present no means of arriving at the exact number and proportion of bills drawn for the various amounts. So far as adhesive s amps are concerned the records of the stamp office show that four times as many stamps are sold of the value of \$1.00 as of those of \$1.50, thus showing that by far the largest number of bills stamped in this manner are of the smaller amounts, but whether the amount of the larger bills. under an advalorem tax, would compensate remains to be seen after reliable statistics have been obtained. For this purpose the various Banks would have to be applied to and the Committee, have no doubt that were this done by the Government in a strictly confidential manner, the Banks would readily give the desired information,

JAS. GREIG, H. H. NELSON, H. L. DALRYMPLE,

January 25th, 1875. Sin, -At the last Annual Meeting of this | for that period. Chamber it was resolved to memorialize the Government with a view of obtaining a revision of the existing Stamp Ordinance. it being considered that the Schedule under which the tax is now collected, does not bear as equally as might be, upon the various commercial interests represented in the Colony liable to taxation, and further that experience as well as the somewhat altered method of conducting trade, now

demanded a more equitable distribution. The question of revision was accordingly referred to a Sub committee, to consider the whole matter and report eventually to the Chamber, but before doing so the Committee have deemed it as advisable to ascertain the views of the Government respecting the proposed memorial in order that as far as possible the Chamber may act in accord.

I have therefore the honor to hand you for the consideration of His Excellency the Liovernor, a short statement of the recommendations the Committee are prepared to Means James Russell, N. J. Ede and F.

The Universal Circulating Herald says | make to the Chamber, to be embodied in a memorial, from which it will be observed that the most important changes are those whicherelate to Bank Note Circulation, and "Bills of Exchange," these two items representing about sixty per cent of the total Stamp revenue now collected. With respect to the first, viz:- Bank Note Circulation, " the Committee have considered that as the non-issuing Banks in the Colony derive great benefit from the local note circulation, they should accordingly pay for the advantage, and this has accordingly been introduced as the basis of the

new scheme. With respect to the revenue to be realized under the revised Schedule, with the ex ception of " Bills of Exchange," it is estimated that there would be a slight increase over the present receipts; regarding Bills of Exchange however the Committee have been unable to form any estimate of the probable revenue under the sliding scale now recommended, for the reason that bills sent in to be stamped are almost invariably in blank; it has however been suggested that if the Government would apply to the various local banks for such information as would enable an estimate to be made, the information would be readily afforded and a reliable and sufficient answer would be given as to the feasibility or otherwise of the proposed system.

It is not the intention of the Committee to here enter upon any argument respecting the various changes recommended; it is their desire merely to obtain the views of the Government, so far as consistent respecting the general principles set forth in the enclosed statement, and regarding the suggestion mentioned above, which it may be observed has already been hinted at in a memorandum upon the subject drawn up by the present collector of Stamp Revenue, which the Committee have had

the benefit of perusing, I have the honor to be, Your most obedient Servant, JAMES GREIG. Chairman of Sub-Committee. Honorable J. GARDINER AUSTIN. Colonial Secreta y, &c., &c.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE steamer Feiwan is going to Macao, where she will be laid up.

THE latest alteration in the Postal Table of Rates is :- Letters to Spain and Portugal, via Brindisi, 18 cents per 1 oz.

will be sailed to-morrow, starting at o'clock a.m. A steam-launch conveying the starter will leave Peddar's Wharf at halfpast eight.

THE Orioket Match, H.K. C. Club versus 80th and 28th Regiment, was intended to have been commenced at 2 o'clock, but it was 2.45 before a start was made. Club went first to the wickets, and scored 82, the best score made being 29 by Saunderson. The Army had scored 47, when the wickets were drawn, there being only 5 men down. Corporal Newton made some

WE cannot at all understand the notification about a portion of the mail not having come forward. Surely it was the business of the Post office to detain the mail steamer for a few hours if necessary, or if want of room out to accommodate the mail boxes. Twelve hours' delay in either case would have been better than having to wait a fortnight for missing letters.

THE saluting nuisance has prevailed extensively to-day. The Russian Corvette Ascold, which arrived from Nagasaki, saluted the flag and the Russian and English admirals as per regulation, the salutes being duly answered. No doubt the cannonade is a necessary concomitant of our civilization, but really we might learn something from the "Heathen Chines," who satisfies the most exalted dignity with a salute of three guns. Why not count a Krupp or Armstrong discharge in proportion to its calibre as compared with the 12 and 24 pounders of Nelson's time. One "Woolwich hifant" bang at that rate would equal two 21 gun salutes, and the "agony," as Mr Carson puts it, would be the scone

THERE were two cases heard at the Marine Court yesterday. James Connur, a scaman belonging to the barque Halia, was fined \$1, or 2 days pay for refusal of duty. Jamy Carnus and Ferhamsi, Firemen of the Golconda, were charged with mutinous Committee. | conduct on board on the 25th January, but | Empire. - Christman Day was the hottest | sixteen thousand. When the Prince arrived, they having been in irons nine days were discharged and ordered to forfeit their pay 1049 in the shade. The works of a new Cavalry, the tenth Hussars, the Chesnut

At the Marine Court to day, Lee Ahop, boatman, (No. 4088) was charged by P. C. Thomas Blake with obstructing the fairway of the S. S. Bowen this morning. second offence, he was fined \$5 or 10 days imprisonment.

MR Hollowell, the keeper of the "Star Tavern," again appeared yesterday before the Police Court to answer the charge of allowing some drunken seamen to fight in his house. From the evidence it appeared, however, that the defendant was not liable for the disorder, he having tried his best to Regiment is expected to pass to Major eject the turbulent men and had called in Richard Wadeson, Y.C., who won the the Police. The adjudication Magistrates,

D. Sassoon, (the two latter being unofficial Justices of the Peace, who were invited to be present in order to hear the case for themselves, as the charge in its original form was thought to affect the continuance of the defendant's license) therefore discharged the defendant, holding that he was not to blame for the disorder in his house.

Ir is evident that all apprehensions of further trouble in Perak had not ceased at Madras even after the announcement that the war was over. A Madras paper says that the 41st M. N. I. are under orders to proceed to Perak at a moment's notice, and there is a rumour that H. M.'s 89th P. V. Regiment will be sent there also, instead of to Burmah, as previously intended The latter Regiment is being daily practised in the "Field entrenchment drill."

giving a performance at the Singapore town hall, the piece chosen being "The School for Scandal." The Straits times says "The play dragged rather heavily, owing no doubt, to want of sufficient rehearsal; but from the measure of success achieved in so stage, the Audacious corps have shown,

Amateur companies i these parts."

THE Audacious Dramatic troups have been

total loss of the British steamer Minis- was confiscated. ter van Staat Rochussen, Captain Everill. which vessel left Singapore on the 18th instant for Samarang, and grounded on a bank on the morning of the 15th instant, filling almost instantly. The captain, crew, and passengers took to the boats, and the vessel began to break up soon afterwards. The men in the boats reached the shore after some hours, and having landed with difficulty, were conducted through the jungle some ten or twelve miles to Muntok, where they were treated with great kindness and hospitality by the Dutch authorities and residents. In getting into the boats, and in the surf where they landed, in all five of the men were drowned. The captain and crew arrived at Singapore in the Netherlands India steamer Governor | firm. Fined 10/. General Loudon on Jan. 24th.

Ma. Douglas, at present Acting Col. Secretary in Ceylon, is appointed to succeed Mr. Birch at Singapore. The Ceylon Times speaks of him favourably.

of the 20th instant estimates the Dutch then at Acheen at about 5,000 effectives.

THE following are translated in the same paper from the Samarang Courant :- " Mr. Lingard, commander of the West Indian. which vessel as we stated had been attacked by pirates off the East coast of Borneo, has again treated of the event in the Maccassar Handelsblad. He is of opinion that the honour of the Dutch flig is very badly maintained on the East coast of Borneo and that it is high time to guard that coast more effectually."

THE Courant also gives some particulars

respecting the Chinese passengers on board the Brisbane when lying grounded on Angelica reef :- " Amongst the passenger were also a great number of Chinese, who, coming from the gold mines, wished to settle again in their native country in order to lead a quiet life on their savings, or to endeavour to increase their capital besides. Five of them who probably had embarked in the was the cause to insist on cargo being shut Brisbane for that purpose, fell, however, victims to the want of opium, on account of the delay in their passage to Singapore caused by the grounding of that vessel. They had fancied that the voyage to the place of their destination would be accomplished within a giventime and with an eve to it, they, as being great smokers, took along with them a quantity of chandoo sufficient in their opinion for consumption during the voyage. When the Brisbans stranded on Angelica reef, 18 days elapsed ere the Menado could come to the assistance of the mail passengers. In the meantime the stock of chandoo had been consumed. We all know how uncomfortable a smoker feels when he is compelled for one or more days, with some for even only a few hours, to refrain from the enjoyment, or the habit of smoking a cigar. An opium smoker is under similar circumstances when he has to discontinue the use of chandoo; when the privation is of too long a duration, the smoker becomes ill, and recovery is impossible so long as the pipe lies untouched. Such was the course of matters with the five Chinese until, at length, on the voyage to Sourabaya, they breathed their last on board the Menado, in consequence of no

The following Items of Queensland news

are from late Brisbane papers !-The Queensland State Education Act, much opposed by the Roman Catholics. came into operation on the lat Jan .- The proposed Graving Dock at South Brisbane, will be carried on under the supervision of noted that Queensland has passed its sixteenth year as a separate dependency of the troops alternately, numbering in all about day in Brisbane, save one, during the last a Royal Standard was hoisted at the fort. fourteen years, the thermometer registering The procession consisted of the Native Fresh Food and Ice Company, whereby Battery and Horse Artillery. The Prince meat can be preserved by cold perfectly rode on a black horse, and was dressed in fresh for any length of time, are finished. Field Marshal bands. Various regiments The works are said to have cost over played the National Authen. As the Prince £100,000 .-- Endeavours are being made to approached, the natives displayed immense establish Free trade adross the inland enthusissm, runving after the Prince, and border between Queenaland and New South cheering him. On arrival at the Camp, admitted the charge, and this being his Wales. Dr. Mathew Hale, who has been rows of elephants were drawn up on either Bishop of Western Australia for 18 years saids, which were splendidly caparisoned, and was recently appointed to the see of and carrying magnificent howdahs of gold Brisbane, landed in Brisbane on the 14th and silver. The sixth regiment was accom-December, and was installed next day in panied by its antelope, horns tipped with the presence of nearly all the Clergy of the gold. In the morning the Prince had a diocese, Governor Cairns and about 1100 other speciators.

The dominand of the 75th Foot has become vacant by the retirement of Colone Thomas Milles, on full pay, with the rank of major-general. The command of the 70th Victoria Cross and his commission, under circumstances of exceptional valour, at the

Police Intelligence. (Before James Russell, Esq.) 4th February, 1876.

OBSTRUCTION.

The accupant of house No. 24, West Street, was summoned by Inspector McKennon with setting out and leaving a number. of bags of fish on the public way to the obstruction thereof. Fined \$5.

UNLICENSED SALE OF SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS. Louisa Josia, a female, residing at No. 21 Cochrane street, was summoned by Sergeant Lindsay for selling spirituous liquors in quantity less than two gallons, It appeared that, on the evening of the 2nd instant, he and a P. C. named Ward went to take up a position as attacking army being exhibited. They looked at the views | defence. and then asked if there was any beer in the house. She produced two bottles of Porter and charged \$1 for each. Ward handed a \$10 note and received \$3 in change. Upon | able to bear removal from the spot to which search the house and only six bottles of wound. The village belonging to the of-Porter were found. The defendant stated that the \$3 were given her not for any liquors, but for the panorama show. difficult a piece, which has taxed the powers | They gave her a great deal of Ross, Resident at the Persian Gulf, will of so many leading comedians on the English | frouble in taking the pletures out. The proceed home for one year in the spring, policemen had some porter because she and in that case Captain W. J. Prideaux, undoubtedly, more ability than many liquor had been sold and fined the defend- officiate for him. (Straits Times) regret to learn of the ant \$10, and the liquor found in the house .- Allahabad, Jan. 13 .- The squabble

A DOUBLE OFFENCE.

Lo Ahop, who was fined \$5 to-day, for obstructing the fairway of the steamer Bowen at the Harbour Master's office, was brought up for plying for hire without a license. Fined 81.

UNLAWFUL POBSESSION. Wan Achui, the wife of an Indian watchman, was charged with having in her possession a small quantity of cotton, valued about 80 cents. The defendant came from the direction of a godown which her husband was in charge of, belonging to a Parsee

DY SUSPICION OF LARCENY.

Choy Akin, a servant on board the str. Sunda, was charged by Mr Robert Bruce, the chief engineer, on suspicion of having stolen \$62 in dollars and notes from the com-Another battalion has, says the Straits plainant's chest-of-drawers in his cabin. Times, received orders to leave Batavia for | The money was all right on Monday night | display of fireworks. The illuminations Acheen. It is said that there is much to be and was missed only yesterday. The key were of an ordinary character, the chief THE Yacht Race for the Storekeeper's Cup done there if the XXII. and XXIII. Mukims, | was kept by the complanant, but the defend- feature being a number of red lanterna the territory of which is more extensive ant was in the habit of brushing his clothes hung to boughs of trees, the result being than that of the VI. Mukims, continue and might have taken out the key. The hostile to the Dutch. The Batavia Dagblad | defendant was the only man who had ac- | The Jumma Musjid and Museum were also cess to the room, but from the cross effectively illuminated. The fireworks went examination of the defendant, it appeared off very well, some of the devices being that there had been a carpenter working in | very quaint and picturesque. This even the cabin, and that the defendant was ser- ing the Prince dines with the sixteenth vant also to the other engineers. The case was adjourned till the 7th inst.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

We quote the following telegrams from late files of the Indian Statesman:-Rungoon, Jan. 10. -- Beattie, a life pri-

soner, who murdered Cobie, the Deputy Jailor of the Rangoon Jail, on the evening of the sixth, has been committed by the Magistrate to the Sessions. It appears deceased was just leaving the ward about 6.15 after mustering the prisoners, when the accused called out to him : on hearing himself called he turned round, when the accused instantly sprang on him and struck him on the left of the heart. Cobie cried out, staggered for the door, and died within 15 minutes. The stab was below the collar blade, and must have touched his heart. The prisoner acknowledged doing the act. but declined questioning the witnesses til he comes before the High Court ; nor would he say how he obtained the knife; but stated he made the handle of it in the ward.

Campore, Jan. 10.—The Prince of Wales left Lucknow after presenting new Colors to the 14th (Buckinghamshire) Regiment. and visiting the Residency and Cemetery with Dr Fayrer. The whole of the troops were present at the parade. The Prince said he had great pleasure in presenting new Colors to a regiment he had known nine years, and which had completed 200 years' service. The Colonel thanked the Prince briefly. Leaving Lucknow at 21 p.m., the Prince stopped at Unso, where Lord Carrington loined. His Royal Highness presented a Silver Flank to Deputy Commissioner Harrington, His Royal Highness arrived at Campore at 4. visited the Church and Well. He leaves to-night at 10 o'clock, arriving at Delki tomorrow morning.

Lahore, Jan. 11.-The following troops will be present at the Prince's reception at Lahore : 92nd Highlanders, 7th and 12th Native Infantry, 1st Bengal Cavalry, and one Squadron of the 4th Hussars. There is grievous disappointment in Lahore consequent on the military authorities at the last moment objecting to the proposed native entertainment with fireworks near

Delhi, Jan. 11. - The Prince arrived here at half-past nine this morning. The reception from a military point of view was by far the most imposing yet seen. From Colonial Engineer of Works, -It is station to Camp, a distance of over three miles, there were European and Mative levee. In the evening he attended at athome given by Lord Napier On Monday next there will be a sham fight like the slege at Delbi in 1857. To-morrow there will be a review of troops. During the week d pid-nie will take place at Kutub Miner. Hd. Qrs. Camp, 19th January .- This

morning the Prints inspected all the troops in Camp, twenty thousand in number.
The Parade Sommeticed with a general salute, inspection by the Prince and march past, Lord Napier of Magdala secompanied lake place,

the Prince, who rode his favourite black

In the afternoon the Prince drove through the city, and in the evening the Prince goes to a Ball given by Lord Napier From information laid by the complainant, and officers at the palace. To morrow half of the troops leave camp under Hardinge to the house where a panorama show was | the remainder under Reade acting on the

The weather is bitterly cold. - Allahabad, Jan. 12.—Capt. Butler's case is considered almost hopeless. He is unthis information, a warrant was issued to he was first taken after receiving the spear fending tribe of Nagas has been burnt, and the survey will go on.

It is rumoured that Lieutenant-Colonel happened to be taking some herself. The Assistant Secretary in the Foreign Office, a Magistrate was, however, of opinion that | good Arabic scholar, will most probably

garding the the fort entertainment to the Prince of Wales at Lahore arose because the work was commenced within the sacred limits of military territory without the permission of the officer commanding the station. Besides, the report was apread that the Lahore ladies only were provided for in the festivities, those at Meean Meer being left out in the cold. The objections raised by General Reid and Colonel Swinhoe were deemed by Lord Napier insuperable.

A plot was recently discovered at Cabul its object being to effect the escape of Yakub Khan. Yahya Khan, his father-inlaw, was expelled the city, and two friends of the Cabul, Hakim, Mahomed Ibrahim Khan, were put to the sword and the resi imprisoned. The cold is so intense in Cabul that people are unable to move out of their houses.

Captain Butler died on the 7th in camp. and was buried at Golagbat on the 9th in-

Delhi, Jan. 13.—This morning the Prince went to a pic-nic at Kutub Menar. The affair was strictly private. On his return the town was illuminated, and there was very pretty when seen from a distance. kifles. Mr Hardinge with half of the troops in camp, set out this morning, and we expect skirmishing will commence temorrow. The ball last night was successful, although supper was rather a failure The Prince danced several times, and stayed late. The ball-room looked very handsome Two capital bands were in attendance.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 10.—General Kaufmann has returned from Khojend. London, Jan. 10 .- OBITUARY .- Viscount

Amberley. Paris, 11th January.—M. Dufaure Say has resigned owing to Marshal MacMahon seeking to reconcile the ministers, and form common programme.

London 11th January.—The Queen with the Princess Alexandra, will open Parliament in person. New York, Jan. 10 .- The Agricultura

Bureau reports the condition of the Ame can Cotton crop as slightly inferior to tha of 1874, and estimates the crop at about 4 050,000 bales.

> Straits Items. Straits Ubserver.

The annexed information is the last received from Acheen, and for which we are indebted to the Dutch Consul General. seems as if things were looking up with the

Acheen, 10th January - 7th January, made march to Lamtengah and Sahong, near Misight Lamtengah, Panglima Moeda Lamtoetch was killed. We had two wounded. Gabong occupied. Ecad of Lempager in subjection,-population there returns to Campong. Six Mukins now in our full possession. Tokos Lamposei started on board of a man-of-war to Kloeang to call up the heads of the four Mukims. Tokoe Kadli is expected the 21st. State of health satisfactory.

It is rumoured that there are several Navel Courts of Inquiry about to be held on the conduct of officers of men-of-war engaged in the Perak expedition. It is on this account, we suppose, that so many of Her Majesty's ships are now in Singapore We are told that Commander Stirling, of

H.M.S. Thistle, has been recommended for promotion very strongly, as a reward for his energy in the operations in the Peninsular It is to be haped that promotion will not be the only reward Captain Stirling will cocive. Most of the success that we met with in the Sri Menanti campaign is due to Captain Stirling, and a C. B.-ship would not be too great a reward for his In consequence of the state of affairs in

the Peninsula, H.M.'s 10th Foot will not, China Fire Ins. Co., \$143 we understand, be sent to Gibraltar as was intended, but will stand fast here as the garrison for Pinang and Singapore, and we hear that the 80th Foot will be distributed in Perak, Malacca, and Sunghie Ujong. The question has been asked whether the expense of the additional Military force will be charged to the Colonial Treasury. Not likely; but we have no doubt the Malay States will have to pay the cost of their being kept quiet, It will be as well though if some honorable member would put the question to the Governor at the next meeting of the Legislative Council, so as to settle

Ugly rumbure come from Sunghie Ujong about certain occurrences there. It is said that a cooly who did not care about marching, tried to run away, and was shot through the chest by a British officer and died two days afterwards, and that a second Chinaman had his skull fractured by blows from the hilt of an officer's sword. If these sumours are true we suppose an inputry wil

The Arab contingent are also grumbling. charger. The staff were brilliant. Scindia It seems they signed for a year's service was with the Prince. The elephant battery | determinable at the discretion of Governof Armstrongs was novel and peculiar. The | ment by either a month's notice or a month's mule battery also created interest. The pay. They have now been suddenly dismarch past was commenced by the artillery charged and, we are informed, have not yet followed by the cavalry, the infantry bring- been paid, and are in consequence, hanging ing up the rear. The 73rd marched past about the streets without any means of splendidly, not surpassed by any of the existence, and two of them on Tuesday troops on the ground. After all had told a gentleman that they must steal for marched past, the artillery and cavalry a livelihood. If that threat be carried out went by at a trot, finishing by galloping and they are caught, they will be punish-The Prince afterwards presented able for doing in Singapore that which by colours to the 11th Bengal Infantry and their agreement under Mr. De Fontaine 1st Ghoorkas, after which the troops dis- they were expressly allowed to do in Sir

(Straits Times, Jan. 27.)

The Eastern and Australian mail steamer Brisbane arrived here on the 15th instant with her mails and passengers, which she re-embarked at Sourabays, having been floated off the reef on which she grounded.

We learn of the total loss of the locally wned steamer Minister van Staat Rochussen, Capt. Everill, on the voyage from this port to Samarang. She struck on a bank on the morning of the 15th instant, filled almost instantly, and went to pieces soon afterwards. The Chinese passengers and crew barely escaped with their lives, two of the boats going to pieces when being lowered from the davits; five of the crew were drowned. The steamer formerly belonged to the Netherlands India Steam Navigation Co., and for a long time plied between this port and Java; she was recently purchased by Mr. Cheang Hong Lim, and has since been employed in the local service. -The captain and crew of the British barque Seaton, from Manila and Cebu for Liverpool with sugar and hemp, arrived here from Batavia on Monday. and report that total loss of the vessel on 8th December, off Billiton.

Rear Admiral Ryder arrived here on the 14th inst. in his flagship the Aud cious, but has transferred his flag to the Vigilant. The Audacious leaves to-day for Manila whither she goes, we believe, to watch the perations of the Sulu expedition, and the Admiral will proceed in the Vigilant to

An Indian sub-warder has been killed in Singapore Gaol by a Chinese prisoner, for having given evidence at the trial of the Dent mutiny case,

HOME NEWS

It is expected that the Duke of Edinburgh will take command of the ironelad Monarch, and serve his time in the Mediterranean squadron next spring.

(London and China Express.) THE Juno, 8, screw corvette, Captain J. A. Poland, sailed for Singapore and Hong-

Kong on the 18th inst. with the officers and crews of the gunb a:s to be re-commissioned at Hong Kong. The following are the names, of the officers proceeding by the Horace H. Barnard, lieutenant, Herbert

Dockrell, navigating-lieutenant, Samuel E. Lark, assistant-paymaster, Henry Onions, engineer, William H. Nicholson, engineer, and William C. Tarrant, acting gunner, additional, fc.: Frolic, when recommissioned; Willian B. Meade, navigatinglieutenant, Otway P. Browne, surgeon, Richard Olivey, assistant-paymaster, William Landells, engineer, and Louis Evans, acting gunner, for Kestrel, when recommissioned; Thomas O'Sullivan, surgeon, Thomas Summers, engineer, and Emanuel Foster, acting gunner, for Mosquito when recommissioned; Charles Windham, lieutenant, additional; James W. Lishman, paymaster, additional, as storekeeper at Yokohama; Russell Hill, paymaster, Victor Empnuel, additional, for service at Shangh i Yard : E. B. D. O. Aplin, sub-lieutenant, Figilant, part complement; William Jennings, assistant-paymaster in charge, Dwarf, part complement; James Bradley, staff surgeon, Lily part complement, Kast Indian station

Quotations. Hongkong, Feb. 4, 1876. OPIUM .- New Patna, cash ... 6021 credit, 607 Old Patna, cash -New Benares, cash, 565 credit, 570 Old Benares, cash, -

New Malwa, cash, 585 Allowance Taels, 4 a 1 Old Malwa, cash, 590 Allowance Taels, 4 a 12

QUICKSILVER. ...

SALTPETRE.

Exchange. Hank, 6 months sight, ... 3/112 Credit, 6 months' sight, ... On Calcutta, Bank demand, R 2254 Bombay, demand, R. 225 Shanghai, demand, Shanghai, O days' sight, ... Bar Silver, 17, dwta. B., Gold Leaf. English Sovereigns. Australian Sovereigns, ... Discount, ... an in 648

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 7 per cent. prem. d. K. Fire Ins. Co., \$547 Victoria Fire Ins. Co., \$69 H.K. & W. Dock Co., 86 % dia. China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1500 Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$600 Chinese Insurance Co., \$218 North China Inc. Co., Tia, 825 O. & J. Marine Ins. Co., Tis. 107 Yangteen Ins. Association, Tis 590 H.K. C. & M. B.-boat Co., 5 dis. ex div. Winton S. Navigation Co., Tis. -Shanghal Steam N. Co., Tls. 74 Hongkong Hotel Co., 255 dis. Chinese Imperial Lean, £102.

Temperature. Honorors, Beb. 4, 1876. Taken at Meerrs. Balconer & Co.'s Premisette

Queen's Road.) Tankouster-Q A. M., 4 P. M. Do. Maximum. Minim, over night. BAROMETER, -- 9 A. C.

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BAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,	biscount of 20% on the Premis.	THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company in	CHEAPEST DAILY PAPER IN CHINA	Beef, sirloin and prime out, cy, 160 120 Beef Corned, catty 120 100	Paraley, Chinese, . catty 80 20 English, bunch — 10
AND MARSEILLES;	Agents.	Hongkong, China and Japan, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance,	INCREASE OF CIRCULATION	,, Roast, ,, 140 120	Potatoes, Macso, new . catty 20 14 Sweet. 14 12
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ON THURSDAY, the 10th February, 1876, at Noon, the Company's S. S.	CHON OF SHANGHAL.	ADAMSON, BELL & Co. Hongkong, September 6, 1875.	ADVERTISERS 18 OBVIOUS.	Tongue, fresh, each 250 200	Scallions, catty 20 18
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4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 9th February, 1876. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left	buted among Policy holders, annually, in	Bonus, are requested to present same for payment at the Hongkong and Shanghai	st 500 per annum.	Hams, American, . 1b. 350	Water Lily Roots, , 40 80 Water Cress, , 80 25
at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are re-	contributed.	Bank before the 1st April, 1876, otherwise their claims will not be recognised.	Hongkong, January 18, 1876.	Chinese, 200 160 English 400 360	Fruits
for further particulars, apply at the	Agents	ADOLF ANDRE, F. D. SASSOON,	COALS of every description supplied to !	Mutton Chop,	Almonds, catty 40 — Almonds, lb. 200 —
Company's Office. G DE OHAMPEAUX, Acting Agent.	LANCASHIRE INSURANCE	Hongkong, December 20, 1875. apl	Steamers by the Undersigned. Orders may be left at the Godowns, Wanchi, with Mr J. MACLEHOSE, or LEONG	,, Shoulder, ,, 180 160	,, California,
Hongkong, February 2, 1876. fe10	(FIRE AND LIFE.)	THE BOOKTIME THE STATES	AT VOY KWONGHING, PTAYS.	Pigs' Chitlings, catty 60 50	Bananas, fragrant Punti, catty 40
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COMPANY.	THE Undersigned are prepared to grant POLICIES against the Risk of FIRE on	Agent, in Hongkong, for the above-	TIESSELS inward bound can secure Pi-	Heart, cach 70 50	Citron, green, each 150 100
THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA	Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on	Goods to the extent of \$10,000, at the	V lots from Reef Island, from this date.		Coccanuta 60 50 Curranta, bottle 400 850
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THE S. S. "CITY OF PEKING" will leave Hongkong for San Francisco	for their decision.	reduction in Premia for Life Insurance in China.	The Pilot-boat's Flag is No. 5 at the main-mast. H. F. STUART.	Log, 160 150	I Plus Litied.
via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 15th February, 1876, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight, for Japan, the United States	If required, protection will be granted on	1970, spare in the Bonns to be demared on	Handhana Annii 5 1875 . ap5	Sheeps' Head, and Feet, set 400 360	Ground Nuts catty 40 80
and Europe. Through Passenger Tickets and Bill	For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-	31st December for the quinquennial period then ending. A. MAGG. HEATON.	Now Ready.	Heart, each 60 50	,, Coolis , 80 20
Yokohama and other Japan Porta, to Sar Wrancisco, to porta in Mexico, Central and	ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Agents Hongkong & Canton.	Hongkong, September 27, 1875.	THE CHINA REVIEW,	Sucking Pigs, 1500 1200 Veal, catty 180 120	,, Kam Kwat . ,, 60 50
South America, and to New York and	Hongkong, January 4, 1867.	NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.	Vol. IV., No. 8,	Poultry.	Mutmeg, , 40 30
A Steamer of the Mitsu Bishi S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Ser Ports, about same date, and make clos	FLE OUTHE PETER THEORIES	Incorporated by Royal Charter and	EDITED BY N. B. DENNYS, PR.D.	Oapons, catty 180 180 Ducks, catty 110 100	S THIMMOGES TAYONS
At New York, Passengers have selection	HEAD OFFICE-HONGKONG.	Special Acts of Parliament.	Annual Subscription, postage included,	Eggs, Hen dos, 100 —	Melons, Chinese
of various lines of Steamers to England France and Germany. France and Germany.	A GENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore,	ESTABLISHED 1809.		Balt 100 -	Pears, Tientsin . catty 150 120 Chefoo. 100 80
4 p.m. 14th Instant. Parcel Package	Saigon and Penang.	CAPITAL £2,000,000.	THE POINTOIR OF CHITIST COMMISSION SAND	Fowls, catty 170 160	Pine-apples, Punti (catty 80
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Company, Praya West. G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.	Secretary.	usual Bates, subject to a discount of 20		Quail, 70 66	Raisins, Muscatel, bottle 1100 750
Hongkong, January 31, 1876. fel	MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE	GILMAN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, July 6, 1875.	Years of Foreign Intercourse with China:	Teal, 500 45	15. 200 160
Occidental & Oriental Steam Ship Company.	COMPANY OF MANCHESTER"		Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence. Notes and Queries on Eastern Matters:—	Hen. 35	Tamarinds, catty 60 50 Walnuts new 100
TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND	THE Undersigned have been appointed	ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY. THE Undersigned having been appoint ed Agents for the above Company	Torture in British and Chinese Prisons. Fusang.	Geese, 800 -	Water Chestnuts. , , 70 50
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and	Hongkoug, October 14, 1868.	Hongkong, October 27, 1874.	China Mail Office.	Congor Kels,	Candied Orange Peel, bottle 750 700
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTIN	THE LONDON ASSURANCE.	Intimations.	Hongkong, January 11, 1876.		O Capers,
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.	INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of	NOTICEL	To Let.	Kels, 100 1	Cheese, American, . 1b. 400 —
THE S. S. "OCEANIO," will be departed for San Francisco, via Yolk	His Majesty King George The Birst,	In the Goods of GEORGE BARTY FALCONER, Deceased.	TO LET	Small 100	Dutch, each 1100 —
hama, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st Marc	ors THE Undersigned having been appointed	A LL Persons baving any CLAIM	With Immediate Possession.	Frogs, 200 18 Garoupa, 140 12	Citron, 250 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200
Steelmers from Shanghal.	Marine Department	to send in Particulars of the same to the	14 and 16, Stanley Street, lately in the	1201 AL3	Oloves, 30 250 Coccanut Oil, bottle 200 150
Freight will be received on Board un	Policies at ourrent rates payable eithe	February, 1876, after which date no Claim	The House No. 35, Wellington Street	130 1:	Ooffee,
will be received at the Office until 5 p. same day: all Parcel Packages should marked to address in full; value of sa	be of India, China and Australia.	And all Persons being indebted to the said Estate are requested to make Immediate Payment.	& Co. The Dwelling House and Offices, No. 1	Mackerel, 110 1	Direwood, Dictil 400 Bob.
is required. Return Passage Tickets available for	Policies issued for long or short periods a	I B. FALCONER.	Stanley Street, lately in the cocupation of Messrs Draver & Co.	of Mullet, 120 10 Oysters, 120 1	00 Gram, ploul 2750 2500
months are issued at a reduction of 20 pent, on regular rates.	ht Policies issued for sums not exceeding	Hongkong, December 8, 1875. fe2	The Dwelling House No. 18, Gage Street The Dwelling House No. 4, Alexandr	Perch, 100	Isinglass, catty 750 — Ramp Oil, 100 90
Or Passage, apply to the Agency of Company, Praya West.	HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.	Essen (Germany.)	The Store and Dwelling House, No. 31 Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of	Pomfret,	Macaroni, box 1000 900
G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent Hongkong, February 3, 1876.	Hongkong, July 25, 1872,	Sole Agent for Ohina, F. PEIL,	Miss GARRETT. The House and Offices No. 8, D'Aguils	Rock Fish, catty 120 1	Mango Chutney. bottle 700 500
for Sale.	CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY (TIMITED.)	HOMERONE, SHANGHAI, COLOGE (Germany.)	DESENABRO	,, Pickled, tin 300	Nutmegs, each 10 8
TAKASIMA COLLIERY.	'notice.	NOTICE TO MARINERS.	DOUGLAS LAPRAIR & Co. Hongkong, December 20, 1875.	Shark, 80	70 Olives, bottle 250 200
JARDINE, MATHESON & C.	Marine Risks to all parts of the WORK		TO BE LET.	Skate, 90	Paddy, pictile 240 200 Pearl Barley, bottle 240 200
FOR SALE.	In accordance with the Company's Article of Association. Two Thirds of the Profit	CHINA SEA.	WITH Possession on 1st March net the commodious and centrally situa	t Soles, Fresh , , , 120 1	90 Pepper (whole) catty 270 220 00 (ground) . bottle 250 200
PRESH Takasima COAL, in lots puit purchasers. Large, Handpick Double-screened at \$8 per Ton. SMA	whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the nett amount of Premis contribute	0	tion of Dr. O'BRIEN.	Tench, 180 1	20 Pickles, 200 150
at \$6 per Ton.	by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.	PESCADORES.	For all particulars, apply to ROBERT G. ALFORD,	800	8ago, bottle 220 200
No. 7. Queen's Road and at East Po Hongkong, December 3, 1875.	OLVPHANT & Co., Weneral Agents. Hongkong, April 17, 1878.	Light on the S. W. extremity Fisher Island near Litsitah Point was e	of Hanghang January 20 1876	Vegetables.	Salt, Coarse catty - 10
ON SALE.	YANGTEZE INSURANCE ASSOCIA	hibited for the first time at sunset of the 20th December. The new Tower has been	io TO LET.	Aspatagus, tin 400 8 Bamboo Shoots, young catty 100	80 Split Pess, , , 80 60
THE	TION OF SHANGHAL	erected near the old stone one which he since been removed.	HIRST CHAS STORAGE, GODOWN	Beats, sprout, catty 14 broad, 40	12 Sugar, China,
OHINESE READER'S MANUAL A HANDBOOK of Biographical,	His	The illuminating apparatus is flowing Dieptric, of the Fourth Order, showing white light visible all round except whe	Apply to	・セグ・■ コルルグ February かんまどはった はんだいがく しんがい はのっぱか とりがんがく ガチャッド・ディイチューニューバック	Tes, catty 750 800 20 Vermicelli, Chinese 100 80
A torical Mythological and Gen Literary Reference,	A FTER this date, the above Association of will allow a Brokerage of Thirt three and One Third per cent. (831%)	obscured by the islands. The Light is elevated 205 feet above t	Hongkong, November 20, 1875.	Cabbage, Macac,, 120 Cabbage, White, Canton catty	60 English box 1000 900
BY William Frederick Materia	Local Risks offly, RUSSELL & Co.,	should be visible at a distance of 15 nautic	al TOLET.	, Common, , , 15	Preserved Meats, Fish and
Price 1 \$8.	Hongkong, Juna 8, 1874.	The lower is found, of iron, 20 feet hig with a total height from its base to t	House No. 7. Garden Road, known	Balt	20 Assorted Meats, in tins, 1b. 800 250
Changhal,	Ob. MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE	lafitern value of 83 feet. The Tower is painted black, and the distinguished boundary wall will be paint	House No. 5, Zetland Street:	Catilifiower, 1 1 8ach 190 Catilificate, Chinese, batty 80	20 Fruits, , , , , 250 250
DUO DE MONTEBELLO CAI BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE.	LTE COMPANY.	White Adventionals boots on I-	DAVID SASSOON, SOMS & Co. Hongkong, January 25, 1876.	Chilles, Deted, 1 1, 50	Jams, 1 lb. 4in 300 250 40 Preserved Ginget, jaz 750 400 Milk 1 lb. 4in 800 250
Quarts, \$18 per case (1 dozen.)	of instructions from the Board Directors authorizing them to issue Police	of Longitude, E. 119, 28, 7.	of WASHING BOOKS.	The state of the s	80 Sardines, in tins, dos. 1500-1400
5 per cent. discount on 26 cases.	to the extent of £10,000 on any one fill class tink, or to the extent of £15,000	DAVID M. HENDERSO	(In Engited and Chinese.)	Garillo	Garries Oatier, Industry of Markets.
Bourbon WHISKEY. \$12 per case (1 dozen.) For Sale by	A Discount of 20% allowed.	Imperial Maritime Customs,	e of Ladios and Canthonon, are no esady at alla Office—Price \$1 each.	Gitten Peas, young	BO Printed and published by Cho Myssell to Charles and
Horskips, July 28, 1875	HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.	Amoy, D. comber 50, 1875.	ob Quina Mais Office.	i old i i i co	
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